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WHereas the Arch-duke Albertus with his forces, about Seauen moneths paſte being come before the towne of Oaſtend, hath cauſed the ſame preſently to be battered, and hath cauſed the ſame to bee continued during this Beſieging without diſcontinuance: ſo that from the beginning of this ſiege vntill the vij. of Ianuarie, 1602. vpon the Towne hath been ſhot One Hundreth Six and Thirty Thouſand Cannon ſhot. And perceauing ẏ after theſe many thouſand ſhot which he hath ſhot vpon the Towne, ẏ ſame hath nothing preuayled as he had well hoped: He hath on the vij. of this moneth of Ianuarie 1602 from the morning betimes till the after-noone, ſhotte more then Thirteene Hundreth ſhotte. After which, on the ſaid day he hath done ſeuerall Aſſaults aſwell vppon the towne of Oaſtend, as the other Forts thereunto ioyning, not doubting but he ſhould haue forced the towne by reaſon of the want of Souldiers within it, as he thought, but God hath otherwiſe prouided.

The ſucceſſe of the *vij.* day.

ON the Seauenth day of Ianuarie aforeſaid after that ſtile, the Spaniards with the Italian alloted vnto them, either of them vnder their Generals and Commaunders came marching towards the Towne of Oaſtend vnder the conduct as followeth.

The Earle of Truſtle or Triuulſie Italian Commaunder of Two Thouſand Italians, fell vppon the Sanchill but was verie valiantly beaten thereof.

The Earle of Bucquoy chiefe of Two Thouſand men made aſſaulte vpon the Eaſt Rauelin, but as the water was ſo waxen to high, he was conſtrained to forſake the ſame, and fell vppon the halfe Moone ouer againſt the Geule, from whence hee was manfully driuen away.

The Gouernor of Dixmuyde chiefe of Two Thouſand men hath made his aſſault vpon the Porqucpycke then in vaine, and beaten away.

One Captaine with Fiue Hundred men thinking to force the Weſt Rauelin, was alſo beaten from thence.

Another Captaine with Fiue Hundred men meaning to effect ſome thing vppon the South Carie, was valiantly reſiſted.

The Sargeant Maior with a Thouſand men meaning to ouer-runne the Weſt Carre was alſo manfully beaten away.

This is as much as concerneth the Aſſault.

The other day being the Eight of Ianuarie 1602. (according to their ſtile) there was diuers Priſoners brought to diuers places for further examination : It

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is held that in the aſſaults and in the retreat, from the Towne more then a Thouſand were ſlaine without thoſe which were hurt. In the Euening of this eight day there fledde ouer one of the Enemies men, who reporteth that the Arch-duke in the morning woulde come & aſſault again, and that yͤ Walons and Dutches ſhould aſſault by reaſon the Spanyards and Italians had aſſaulted, for the which our Souldiers within did greatly longe for that they had gotten good booties of ſignor Spanyards.

On the Nineth of the ſame there was found one dead verie richly apparelled eſteemed to be ſome Commaunder, hee was booted and ſpurd, it was thought his horſe was ſhot, and drowned.

The Tenth of the ſame our ſouldiers thinking that the Enemie would againe make an aſſault, they haue expected them with good deuotiō in hope of more ſpoile,

The Towne is dayly much fortified, ſo that they doe not greatly feare the Enemie.

On the Eleauenth of the ſame a Drumme was ſent from the Enemie for to know what priſoners they had of qualitie: alſo to haue a ſurceaſe of armes for Two or Three houres, for to fetch or burie their dead, but it was not graunted. In the afternoone of the ſame day, came many Shalopes and Ship-boats full of Souldiours out of the Fleete into the Towne in the ſight of the Enemie, notwithſtanding that they ſhot verie furiouſly without doing any manifeſt harme more then that they ſhot Three men, and one ſhip in the ground, wherein were moſt Mariners, but all ſaued, (God bee praiſed.)

The Twelueth of the ſame in the Morning about Nine of the clocke, our men haue yet founde one dead carcaſſe with veluet breches layde on with gould lace, and a gilt Rapier about him who was drowned, it is thought he was ſome Commander.

About this time haue our men brought in a Wallon ſouldiour from the Eaſt, who reporteth that they haue loſt about Twelue hundred men.

The Enemie hath again ſent a Drum for to enquire after ſome great Perſonages priſoners of qualitie: whereupon vnto him was anſweared that hee ſhould make ſpecification of the names what priſoners hee ſought, the ſpeech is that the Earle of Tributio or Triuulſie of Milayne cozen to the Duke of Mantua, Maiſtro del Campo ſhould be ſlaine.

They doe continue yet verie ſtrong in the fortifying and ſtrengthning of the Towne: God preſerue all the Gouernours, Captaines, Officers and Souldiours, with all others of the Towne, and take them to his protection.

Names of thoſe which were ſlaine.

Symon Antony Mr. del Campo.

Don Aluares Schuares Cruciador, *or of the order of St. Iames croſſe.*

The Earle of Imbeeke Italian *eſteemed to be rich, his reuenews of 300 Piſtolets a day.*

The Sargeant maior Generall *that was pledge within Oaſtend the 25 of December laſt paſt.*

Durago Mr. del Campo.

The Lieutenant *of the Gouernour of Antwarpe.*

Under the dead is alſo found a woman perſon.

After this a Drum of the Enemy hath declared that there were Twelue Hundreth men ſlaine and one Thouſand hurt, without thoſe which are caried away with waggons, and which were drowned, and driuen away in Sea by the water of the Sluce.

Thoſe which aſſaulted in the old Towne had powches or males with them, wherein they had prouided themſelues of victuals for ij. or iij. dayes, they had alſo Shouels, Pickaxes, Hatchets, Spades, and Ladders, and other Inſtruments which they all left behinde, to that end brought thether, according to the declaration of an Alfero or enſigne bearer, for to make place of defence for them in the old Towne.

The peeces of Ordinance ſtanding in the Porquepyke and Faulſe breye were caſt downe in the aſſault, to the end if the Enemie had gotten the ſayde places, or any of them, he cold not haue vſed the ſame againſt the Towne.

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